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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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		et containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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Novelty (N)	Claims	2-14,17	YES
	Claims	1.15.16	NO NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	2-14,17	YES
	Claims	1,15,16	NO NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-17	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

Prior Art Documents:

- 1) EP, 503785, A1 (Sankyo Co., Ltd.) 16 February 1991 (16.02.91)
- 2) Journal of Medicinal Chemistry, Vol. 28, No. 11, 1985, pp. 1704-1716
- 3) US, 4367236, A (Merrer Dow Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) 4 June 1983 (04.06.83)

Reaction Scheme H on pp. 74-75 and 77-78, and Preparation 27 on p. 158 of document 1 describe a process for the manufacture of 4(5)-isobutyl imidazole derivatives by the reaction of a substituted 4(5)-cyanoimidazole and isopropyl magnesium bromide.

Therefore, the process set forth in Claim 10 and the compounds set forth in Claims 15 and 16 do not appear to be novel.

Compounds 2-21 in Table II on p. 1707 of document 2 and the compounds of Example 2 of document 3 are compounds having a branched alkylcarbonyl group of 3 or more carbons at the No. 4 position of the imidazole, and therefore the compounds set forth in Claims 15 and 16 do not appear to be novel.

Furthermore, in the Claims of this application, the A ring is defined as an optionally substituted imidazole ring, but the substituents are not specified. If the term "substituent" merely refers to a protective group or a group not involved in the reaction, then the compounds set forth in Claims 1, 15 and 16 do not appear to involve an inventive step.

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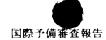
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国際予備審査報告

(法第12条、法施行規則第56条) [PCT36条及びPCT規則70]

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1. 見解			
新規性(N)	請求の範囲	2-14, 17	有
	請求の範囲	1, 15, 16	<u>#</u>
進歩性(IS)	請求の範囲	2-14, 17	有
	請求の範囲	1, 15, 16	無
産業上の利用可能性(IA)	請求の範囲	1-17	有
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2. 文献及び説明 (PCT規則70.7)

先行技術文献:

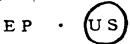
- 1) EP, 503785, A1 (SANKYO COMPANY LTD) 16.2月.1991 (16.02.92)
- 2) Journal of Medical Chemistry; vol. 28 (No. 11) p. 1704-1716 (1985)
- 3) US, 4367236, A (MERRER DOW PHARMACEUTICALS INC.) 4.6月.1983 (04.06.83)

文献1)のp74-75,77-78の ReactionSchemr H 及び p158の PREPARATION 27 には、置換基を有する4(5)-シアノイミダゾールとイソプロピルマグネシウム臭化物との反応で、4(5)-イソブチリルイミダゾール誘導体を製造する方法が記載されている。したがって、請求の範囲1の方法及び請求の範囲15,16の化合物は新規性がない。文献2)のp1707 Table-IIにおける 2-21の化合物、文献3)の EXAMPLE 2 の化合物は、いずれもイミダゾールの4位にC 3以上で分岐のあるアルキルカルボニル基を有

する化合物であるから、請求の範囲15,16は新規性がない。 また、請求の範囲において、A環は置換されてもよいイミダゾール環であると定義されているが、その置換基については特定されていない。その置換基が単なる保護基や反応に関与しない基を意味する場合には請求の範囲1,15,16は進歩性がない。



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X	ROLF PAUL et.al "Imidazo[1,5-d][1,2,4]triazines as Potential Antiasthma Agents" Journal of Medicinal Chemistry;vol.28 (No.11) p1704-1716 (1985) p1707 Table-II,化合物 2-21 参照	15-16
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REQUEST

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The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty. Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application" Applicant's or agent's file reference (if desired) (12 characters maximum) PRODUCTION METHOD OF IMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES					
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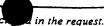
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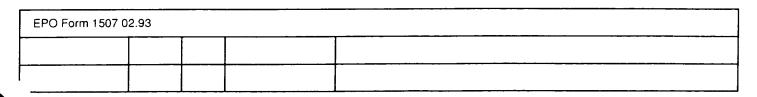


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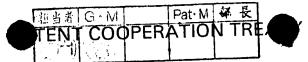
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The applicant is hereby notified that the International Bureau has received the record copy of the international application as detailed below.

Name(s) of the applicant(s) and State(s) for which they are applicants:

TAKEDA CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, LTD. (for all designated States except US)

KAWAKAMI, Jun-ichi (for US)

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List of designated Offices

AP :GH,GM,KE,LS,MW,MZ,SD,SL,SZ,TZ,UG,ZW

EA:AM,AZ,BY,KG,KZ,MD,RU,TJ,TM

EP:AT,BE,CH,CY,DE,DK,ES,FI,FR,GB,GR,IE,IT,LU,MC,NL,PT,SE

OA:BF,BJ,CF,CG,CI,CM,GA,GN,GW,ML,MR,NE,SN,TD,TG

National :AE,AG,AL,AM,AU,AZ,BA,BB,BG,BR,BY,BZ,CA,CN,CR,CU,CZ,DM,DZ,EE,GD,GE,HR,HU, ID,IL,IN,IS,JP,KG,KR,KZ,LC,LK,LR,LT,LV,MA,MD,MG,MK,MN,MX,MZ,NO,NZ,PL,RO,RU,SG,SI,

SK,TJ,TM,TR,TT,UA,US,UZ,VN,YU,ZA

ATTENTION

The applicant should carefully check the data appearing in this Notification. In case of any discrepancy between these data and the indications in the international application, the applicant should immediately inform the International Bureau.

In addition, the applicant's attention is drawn to the information contained in the Annex, relating to:

time limits for entry into the national phase Χ

confirmation of precautionary designations

requirements regarding priority documents

A copy of this Notification is being sent to the receiving Office and to the International Searching Authority.

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland

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INFORMATION ON TIME LIMITS FOR ENTERING THE NATIONAL PHASE

The applicant is reminded that the "national phase" must be entered before each of the designated Offices indicated in the Notification of Receipt of Record Copy (Form PCT/IB/301) by paying national fees and furnishing translations, as prescribed by the applicable national laws.

The time limit for performing these procedural acts is 20 MONTHS from the priority date or, for those designated States which the applicant elects in a demand for international preliminary examination or in a later election, 30 MONTHS from the priority date, provided that the election is made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date. Some designated (or elected) Offices have fixed time limits which expire even later than 20 or 30 months from the priority date. In other Offices an extension of time or grace period, in some cases upon payment of an additional fee, is available.

In addition to these procedural acts, the applicant may also have to comply with other special requirements applicable in certain Offices. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the necessary steps to enter the national phase are taken in a timely fashion. Most designated Offices do not issue reminders to applicants in connection with the entry into the national phase.

For detailed information about the procedural acts to be performed to enter the national phase before each designated Office, the applicable time limits and possible extensions of time or grace periods, and any other requirements, see the relevant Chapters of Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide. Information about the requirements for filing a demand for international preliminary examination is set out in Chapter IX of Volume I of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

GR and ES became bound by PCT Chapter II on 7 September 1996 and 6 September 1997, respectively, and may, therefore, be elected in a demand or a later election filed on or after 7 September 1996 and 6 September 1997, respectively, regardless of the filing date of the international application. (See second paragraph above.)

Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination.

CONFIRMATION OF PRECAUTIONARY DESIGNATIONS

This notification lists only specific designations made under Rule 4.9(a) in the request. It is important to check that these designations are correct. Errors in designations can be corrected where precautionary designations have been made under Rule 4.9(b). The applicant is hereby reminded that any precautionary designations may be confirmed according to Rule 4.9(c) before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date. If it is not confirmed, it will automatically be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant. There will be no reminder and no invitation. Confirmation of a designation consists of the filing of a notice specifying the designated State concerned (with an indication of the kind of protection or treatment desired) and the payment of the designation and confirmation fees. Confirmation must reach the receiving Office within the 15-month time limit.

REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PRIORITY DOCUMENTS

For applicants who have not yet complied with the requirements regarding priority documents, the following is recalled.

Where the priority of an earlier national, regional or international application is claimed, the applicant must submit a copy of the said earlier application, certified by the authority with which it was filed ("the priority document") to the receiving Office (which will transmit it to the International Bureau) or directly to the International Bureau, before the expiration of 16 months from the priority date, provided that any such priority document may still be submitted to the International Bureau before that date of international publication of the international application, in which case that document will be considered to have been received by the International Bureau on the last day of the 16-month time limit (Rule 17.1(a)).

Where the priority document is issued by the receiving Office, the applicant may, instead of submitting the priority document, request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit the priority document to the International Bureau. Such request must be made before the expiration of the 16-month time limit and may be subjected by the receiving Office to the payment of a fee (Rule 17.1(b)).

If the priority document concerned is not submitted to the International Bureau or if the request to the receiving Office to prepare and transmit the priority document has not been made (and the corresponding fee, if any, paid) within the applicable time limit indicated under the preceding paragraphs, any designated State may disregard the priority claim, provided that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

Where several priorities are claimed, the priority date to be considered for the purposes of computing the 16-month time limit is the filing date of the earliest application whose priority is claimed.

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NOTIFICATION CONCERNING SUBMISSION OR TRANSMITTAL OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

(PCT Administrative Instructions, Section 411)

To:

TAKAHASHI, Shuichi Osaka Plant of Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd. 17-85, Jusohonmachi 2-chome Yodogawa-ku Osaka-shi Osaka 532-0024

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 13 October 2000 (13.10.00)	JAI ON				
Applicant's or agent's file reference 2617WO0P	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION				
International application No. PCT/JP00/04036	International filing date (day/month/year) 21 June 2000 (21.06.00)				
International publication date (day/month/year) Not yet published	Priority date (day/month/year) 22 June 1999 (22.06.99)				

Applicant

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- The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the
 International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise
 indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority
 document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b).
- 2. This updates and replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission or transmittal of priority documents.
- 3. An asterisk(*) appearing next to a date of receipt, in the right-hand column, denotes a priority document submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau but not in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b). In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.
- 4. The letters "NR" appearing in the right-hand column denote a priority document which was not received by the International Bureau or which the applicant did not request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau, as provided by Rule 17.1(a) or (b), respectively. In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

Priority date

Priority application No.

Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office

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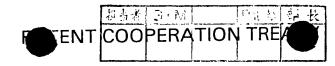


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NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

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Notice is hereby given that the International Bureau has communicated, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this Notice:

AG,AU,BZ,DZ,KR,MZ,US

In accordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present Notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time:

AE,AL,AM,AP,AZ,BA,BB,BG,BR,BY,CA,CN,CR,CU,CZ,DM,EA,EE,EP,GD,GE,HR,HU,ID,IL,IN,IS, JP,KG,KZ,LC,LK,LR,LT,LV,MA,MD,MG,MK,MN,MX,NO,NZ,OA,PL,RO,RU,SG,SI,SK,TJ,TM,TR,TT,

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a copy of the international application (Rule 49.1(a-bis)).

3. Enclosed with this Notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 28 December 2000 (28.12.00) under No. WO 00/78727

REMINDER REGARDING CHAPTER II (Article 31(2)(a) and Rule 54.2)

If the applicant wishes to postpone entry into the national phase until 30 months (or later in some Offices) from the priority date, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed with the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to monitor the 19-month time limit.

Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination.

REMINDER REGARDING ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE (Article 22 or 39(1))

If the applicant wishes to proceed with the international application in the national phase, he must, within 20 months or 30 months, or later in some Offices, perform the acts referred to therein before each designated or elected Office.

For further important information on the time limits and acts to be performed for entering the national phase, see the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy) and Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING ELECTED OFFICES NOTIFIED OF THEIR ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.3)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

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1. The applicant is hereby informed that the International Bureau has, according to Article 31(7), notified each of the following Offices of its election:

AP:GH,GM,KE,LS,MW,MZ,SD,SL,SZ,TZ,UG,ZW

EP:AT,BE,CH,CY,DE,DK,ES,FI,FR,GB,GR,IE,IT,LU,MC,NL,PT,SE

National: AG, AU, BG, BZ, CA, CN, CZ, DZ, IL, JP, KR, MN, MZ, NO, NZ, PL, RO, RU, SK, US

2. The following Offices have waived the requirement for the notification of their election; the notification will be sent to them by the International Bureau only upon their request:

EA :AM,AZ,BY,KG,KZ,MD,RU,TJ,TM

OA:BF,BJ,CF,CG,CI,CM,GA,GN,GW,ML,MR,NE,SN,TD,TG

National :AE,AL,AM,AZ,BA,BB,BR,BY,CR,CU,DM,EE,GD,GE,HR,HU,ID,IN,IS,KG,KZ,

LC,LK,LR,LT,LV,MA,MD,MG,MK,MX,SG,SI,TJ,TM,TR,TT,UA,UZ,VN,YU,ZA

3. The applicant is reminded that he must enter the "national phase" before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date before each of the Offices listed above. This must be done by paying the national fee(s) and furnishing, if prescribed, a translation of the international application (Article 39(1)(a)), as well as, where applicable, by furnishing a translation of any annexes of the international preliminary examination report (Article 36(3)(b) and Rule 74.1).

Some offices have fixed time limits expiring later than the above-mentioned time limit. For detailed information about the applicable time limits and the acts to be performed upon entry into the national phase before a particular Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

The entry into the European regional phase is postponed until 31 months from the priority date for all States designated for the purposes of obtaining a European patent.

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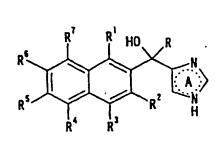
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